

# Trapping Regulations

You may trap wildlife for subsistence uses only within the seasons and harvest limits in these Unit trapping regulations. You may also trap wildlife under State of Alaska regulations on Federal public lands, except where Federal regulations explicitly restrict non-Federally qualified subsistence users. Trapping wildlife out of season or in excess of harvest limits for subsistence uses is illegal and prohibited. However, you may trap unclassified wildlife (such as all squirrel and marmot species) in all units, without harvest limits, from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. Please note these trapping regulations may be changed through regulatory actions (Special Actions) authorized by the Federal Subsistence Board during the regulatory year. **See the hunting regulation section for Unit descriptions and maps.**

## When taking wildlife for subsistence purposes, trappers may not:

- Disturb or destroy a den (except any muskrat pushup or feeding house that may be disturbed in the course of trapping).
- Disturb or destroy any beaver house.
- Take beaver by any means other than a steel trap or snare, except certain times of the year when firearms may be used to take beaver in Units 9, 12, 17, 18, 20E, 21E, 22 and 23. *See Unit-specific regulations.*
- Under a trapping license, take a free-ranging furbearer with a firearm on NPS lands.
- Take otter with a steel trap having a jaw spread of less than 5 7/8 inches during any closed mink and marten season in the same Unit.
- Use a net or fish trap (except a blackfish or fyke trap).
- Take (or assist in the taking of) furbearers by firearm before 3:00 a.m. on the day following the day on which airborne travel occurred. This does not apply to a trapper using a firearm to dispatch furbearers caught in a trap or snare.
- You may not use a firearm other than a shotgun, muzzle-loaded rifle, rifle or pistol using center-firing cartridges, for the taking of a wolf or wolverine, except that:
  - ▶ You may use a firearm that shoots rimfire cartridges to take wolf and wolverine under a trapping license.
- You may sell the raw fur or tanned pelt, with or without claws attached, from legally harvested furbearers.

## Special Provisions:

**National Park Service (NPS) areas**—For subsistence use, national parks and monuments are open only to NPS qualified subsistence users. Subsistence users must be local rural residents of NPS areas. For more information, contact the NPS office in Anchorage at (907) 644-3509.

Units 1 and 5 in **Glacier Bay National Park** are closed to all taking of wildlife for subsistence uses.

The **Dalton Highway Corridor Management Area**, which consists of those portions of Units 20, 24, 25, and 26 extending five miles from each side of the Dalton Highway from the Yukon River to Prudhoe Bay, is closed to the use of motorized vehicles (except aircraft and boats), and to licensed highway vehicles, snowmobiles, and firearms (except as provided below). The use of snowmobiles is authorized only for the subsistence taking of wildlife by residents living within the Dalton Highway Corridor Management Area. The

use of licensed highway vehicles is limited only to designated roads within the Dalton Highway Corridor Management Area. The use of firearms within the corridor management area for subsistence taking of wildlife is authorized only for residents of Alatna, Allakaket, Anaktuvuk Pass, Bettles, Evansville, Stevens Village, and residents living within the Dalton Highway Corridor Management Area.

**Mount McKinley National Park Management Area** as it existed prior to Dec. 2, 1980 (portions of Units 13, 16, 19, and 20 extend into the park), is closed to subsistence uses. Subsistence uses are permitted in Denali National Preserve and lands added to Denali National Park on Dec. 2, 1980.

**In Units 1-5**, you may not shoot wolf or wolverine from a boat unless you are certified as disabled.

## Unit 1 Southeast Mainland

**Unit 1C**, Juneau area, the trapping of furbearers for subsistence uses is prohibited on the following public lands:

- A strip within one-quarter mile of the mainland coast between the end of Thane Road and the end of Glacier Highway at Echo Cove;
- That area of the Mendenhall Valley bounded on the south by the Glacier Highway, on the west by the Mendenhall Loop Road and Montana Creek Road and Spur Road to Mendenhall Lake, on the north by Mendenhall Lake, and on the east by the Mendenhall Loop Road and Forest Service Glacier Spur Road to the Forest Service Visitor Center;
- That area within the USDA Forest Service Mendenhall Glacier Recreation Area;
- A strip within one-quarter mile of the following trails as designated on U.S. Geological Survey maps: Herbert Glacier Trail, Windfall Lake Trail, Peterson Lake Trail, Spaulding Meadows Trail (including the loop trail), Nugget Creek Trail, Outer Point Trail, Dan Moller Trail, Perseverance Trail, Granite Creek Trail, Mt. Roberts Trail, Nelson Water Supply Trail, Sheep Creek Trail, and Point Bishop Trail.

## Unit 3 Petersburg-Wrangell

- In the Petersburg vicinity, a strip one-fourth mile wide on each side of the Mitkof Highway from milepost 0 to Crystal Lake campground is closed to the taking of wolf and wolverine.

## Unit 6 Cordova-Valdez

- **Units 6B and 6C**—Coyote may be taken with the aid of artificial lights.

## Unit 7 Seward

- **Kenai Fjords National Park** is closed to all subsistence uses.

## Unit 8 Kodiak-Shelikof

- A firearm may be used to take beaver with a trapping license from Nov. 10–Apr. 30.

## Unit 9 Alaska Peninsula

- **Unit 9B**—you may take beaver with a trapping license from April 1–May 31, and in **Unit 9 remainder** from April 1–30.
- Taking beaver with a firearm using a trapping license is prohibited on NPS lands.
- **Katmai National Park** is closed to all subsistence uses.

## Unit 10 Aleutian Islands

- On **Otter Island** in the Pribilof Islands, the taking of any wildlife species for subsistence uses is prohibited.

## Unit 12 Upper Tanana-White River

- Trapping of coyote or wolf is prohibited during April and Oct. with a steel trap or with a snare using cable smaller than 3/32-inch diameter.

## Unit 13 Nelchina-Upper Susitna

- BLM restricts the use of off-road vehicles to certain designated trails off the Denali and Richardson highways in the **Tangle Lakes Archaeological District**. For information and

maps on these trails and their restrictions, contact the BLM Glennallen District Office, P.O. Box 147, Glennallen, AK 99588 (907) 822-3217.

## Unit 14 Anchorage

- The **Fort Richardson and Elmendorf Air Force Base Management Areas**, consisting of the Fort Richardson and Elmendorf military reservations, are closed to the subsistence taking of wildlife.
- The **Anchorage Management Area**, consisting of all drainages south of Elmendorf and Fort Richardson military reservations and north of (and including) Rainbow Creek is closed to subsistence taking of wildlife.

## Unit 15 Kenai

- You may not trap furbearers for subsistence in the **Skilak Loop Wildlife Management Area**.
- Taking a red fox by any means other than a steel trap or snare is prohibited.
- Use of aircraft, off-road vehicles, and firearms is subject to special Kenai National Wildlife Refuge regulations. Contact the Refuge at (907) 262-7021 for current regulations.
- **Unit 15B portion**—You may not trap marten in that portion of Unit 15B east of the Kenai River, Skilak Lake, Skilak River, and Skilak Glacier.

## Unit 17 Bristol Bay

- If you have a trapping license, you may use a firearm to take beaver from April 15–May 31. You may not take beaver with a firearm under a trapping license on NPS lands.

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## Unit 18 Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta

- A firearm may be used to take beaver under a trapping license from April 1–June 10.

## Unit 20 Fairbanks-Central Tenana

- **Unit 20E**—Trapping of coyote or wolf is prohibited during April and Oct. with a steel trap, or with a snare using cable smaller than 3/32 inch diameter.

## Unit 21 Middle Yukon

- **Unit 21E**—A firearm may be used to take beaver with a trapping license from Nov. 1–June 10.

## Unit 22 Seward Peninsula

- A firearm may be used to take beaver with a trapping license in during the established seasons. However, taking beaver with a firearm using a trapping license is prohibited on NPS lands.
- Coyote, incidentally taken with a trap or snare intended for red fox or wolf, may be used for subsistence purposes.

## Unit 23 Kotzebue Sound

- A firearm may be used to take beaver with a trapping license from Nov. 1–June 10. However, taking beaver with a firearm using a trapping license is prohibited on NPS lands.

## Unit 24 Koyukuk

- Arctic fox, incidentally taken with a trap or snare intended for red fox, may be used for subsistence purposes.

An “All rural residents” designation in the following customary and traditional use determinations means that a specific determination has not yet been made.

CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL USE DETERMINATION	HARVEST LIMITS	OPEN SEASONS
<b>BEAVER</b>		
<b>All rural residents</b>		
<b>Units 1A, 1B, 1C, 2, 3</b> except Mitkof Island, and <b>Unit 4</b> east of Chatham Strait	No limit	Dec. 1–May 15
<b>Units 1D, 4</b> west of Chatham Strait, <b>14A, 14B,</b> and <b>22C</b>	No Federal open season	
<b>Unit 3</b> Mitkof Island	No limit	Dec. 1–Apr. 15
<b>Unit 5</b>	No limit	Nov. 10–May 15
<b>Unit 6</b>	No limit	Dec. 1–Apr. 30
<b>Units 7 and 15</b>	20 beaver per season	Nov. 10–Mar. 31
<b>Units 8 and 11</b>	30 beaver per season	Nov. 10–Apr. 30
<b>Unit 9D</b>	No limit	Oct. 10–Mar. 31
	2 beaver per day; only a firearm may be used	Apr. 15–May 31
<b>Unit 12</b>	15 beaver per season. Only firearms may be used during Sept. 20–Oct. 31 and Apr. 16–May 15, to take up to 6 beaver. Only traps or snares may be used Nov. 1–Apr. 15. The total annual harvest limit for beaver is 15, of which no more than 6 may be taken by firearm under trapping or hunting regulations. Meat from beaver harvested by firearm must be salvaged for human consumption.	Sept. 20–May 15
<b>Unit 13</b>	No limit	Sept. 25–May 31

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CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL USE DETERMINATION	HARVEST LIMITS	OPEN SEASONS
<b>BEAVER (continued)</b>		
<b>All rural residents (continued)</b>		
<b>Unit 14C</b> , that portion within the drainages of Glacier Creek, Kern Creek, Peterson Creek, the Twentymile River and the drainages of Knik River outside Chugach State Park.	20 beaver per season	Dec. 1–Apr. 15
<b>Unit 16</b>	No limit	Oct. 10–May 15
<b>Unit 18</b>	No limit	July 1–June 30
<b>Units 19, 21, and 24</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–June 10
<b>Units 20A, 20B, 20C, and 20F</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Apr. 15
<b>Unit 20D</b>	25 beaver	Nov. 1–Apr. 15
<b>Unit 20E</b>	25 beaver per season. Only firearms may be used during Sept. 20–Oct. 31 and Apr. 16–May 15, to take up to 6 beaver. Only traps or snares may be used Nov. 1–Apr. 15. The total annual harvest limit for beaver is 25, of which no more than 6 may be taken by firearm under trapping or hunting regulations. Meat from beaver harvested by firearm must be salvaged for human consumption.	Sept. 20–May. 15
<b>Units 22A, 22B, 22D, and 22E</b>	50 beaver	Nov. 1–June 10
<b>Unit 23</b> Kobuk and Selawik River drainages	50 beaver	July 1–June 30
<b>Unit 23 remainder</b>	30 beaver	July 1–June 30
<b>Unit 25C</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Apr. 15
<b>Unit 25 remainder</b>	50 beaver	Nov. 1–Apr. 15
<b>Rural residents of Units 9A, 9B, 9C, 9E, and 17</b>		
<b>Units 9A, 9B, 9C, 9E, and 17</b>	No limit	Oct. 10–Mar. 31
	2 beaver per day. Only firearms may be used.	Apr. 15–May 31
<b>COYOTE—All rural residents</b>		
<b>Units 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5</b>	No limit	Dec. 1–Feb. 15
<b>Unit 6C</b> south of the Copper River Highway and east of the Heney Range.	No limit	Nov. 10–Apr. 30
<b>Units 6A, 6B, 6C remainder, and 6D</b>	No limit	Nov. 10–Mar. 31
<b>Units 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, and 18</b>	No limit	Nov. 10–Mar. 31
<b>Unit 10</b>	2 coyotes	Sept. 1–Apr. 30
<b>Units 12 and 20E</b>	No limit	Oct. 15–Apr. 30
<b>Units 14A, 14B, and 22</b>	No Federal open season	
<b>Unit 14C</b>	No limit	Nov. 10–Feb. 28
<b>Units 19, 20A, 20B, 20C, 20D, 20F, 21, 24, and 25</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Mar. 31
<b>Unit 20E</b>	No limit	Oct. 15–Apr. 30
<b>Units 23 and 26</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Apr. 15

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<b>FOX, ARCTIC (Blue and White Phase)—All rural residents</b>			
Unit 9	No limit		Nov. 10–Feb. 28
Unit 10	No limit		July 1–June 30
Units 17 and 18	No limit		Nov. 10–Mar. 31
Units 22, 23, and 26	No limit		Nov. 1–Apr. 15
<b>FOX, RED (including Cross, Black, and Silver Phases)—All rural residents</b>			
Units 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5	No limit		Dec. 1–Feb. 15
Units 6, 7, 9, 11, 13, and 16	No limit		Nov. 10–Feb. 28
Units 8, 17, and 18	No limit		Nov. 10–Mar. 31
Unit 10	2 red foxes		Sept. 1–Feb. 28
Units 12, 20, 21, 24, and 25	No limit		Nov. 1–Feb. 28
Units 14A and 14B		No Federal open season	
Units 14C and 15	1 fox		Nov. 10–Feb. 28
Unit 19	No limit		Nov. 1–Mar. 31
Units 22, 23, and 26	No limit		Nov. 1–Apr. 15
<b>LYNX—All rural residents</b>			
Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 11, and 13	No limit		Dec. 1–Feb. 15
Units 6, 7, 14A, 14B, and 15		No Federal open season	
Unit 9	No limit		Nov. 10–Feb. 28
Unit 12 and 20E	No limit, however no more than 5 lynx may be taken between Nov. 1 and Nov. 30.		Nov. 1–Dec. 31
Units 17 and 18	No limit		Nov. 10–Mar. 31
Units 19, 21, 24, and 25	No limit		Nov. 1–Feb. 28
Units 14C, 16, 20A, 20B, 20C east of Teklanika River, and 20D	No limit		Dec. 15–Jan. 31
Units 20F and 20C remainder	No limit		Nov. 1–Feb. 28
Units 22, 23, and 26	No limit		Nov. 1–Apr. 15
<b>MARTEN—All rural residents</b>			
Units 1, 2, 3, and 4	No limit		Dec. 1–Feb. 15
Unit 5	No limit		Nov. 10–Feb. 15
Units 6, 9, 11, 13, 16, and 17	No limit		Nov. 10–Feb. 28
Units 7, 8, and 14C	No limit		Nov. 10–Jan. 31
Units 12, 19, 20, 21, 24, and 25	No limit		Nov. 1–Feb. 28
Units 14A and 14B		No Federal open season	
Unit 15B, that portion east of the Kenai River, Skilak Lake, Skilak River and Skilak Glacier		No Federal open season	
Unit 15 remainder	No limit		Nov. 10–Jan. 31
Unit 18	No limit		Nov. 10–Mar. 31
Units 22, 23, and 26	No limit		Nov. 1–Apr. 15

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CUSTOMARY & TRADITIONAL USE DETERMINATION		HARVEST LIMITS	OPEN SEASONS
<b>MINK AND WEASEL—All rural residents</b>			
Units 1, 2, 3, and 4	No limit		Dec. 1–Feb. 15
Unit 5	No limit		Nov. 10–Feb. 15
Units 6, 7, 8, 14C, 15, 16, and 18	No limit		Nov. 10–Jan. 31
Units 9, 10, 11, 13, and 17	No limit		Nov. 10–Feb. 28
Units 12, 19, 20, 21, 24, and 25	No limit		Nov. 1–Feb. 28
Units 14A and 14B			No Federal open season
Units 22, 23, and 26	No limit		Nov. 1–Jan. 31
<b>MUSKRAT—All rural residents</b>			
Units 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5	No limit		Dec. 1–Feb. 15
Units 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16, and 18	No limit		Nov. 10–June 10
Units 7, 14C, and 15	No limit		Nov. 10–May 15
Units 12 and 20E	No limit		Sept. 20–June 10
Unit 13	No limit		Sept. 25–June 10
Units 14A and 14B			No Federal open season
Unit 17	2 muskrat		Nov. 10–Feb. 28
Units 19, 20A, 20B, 20C, 20D, and 20F, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26	No limit		Nov. 1–June 10
<b>RIVER OTTER—All rural residents</b>			
Units 1, 2, 3, and 4	No limit		Dec. 1–Feb. 15
Unit 5	No limit		Nov. 10–Feb. 15
Units 6, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, and 18	No limit		Nov. 10–Mar. 31
Units 7, 14C, and 15	No limit		Nov. 10–Feb. 28
Unit 8	No limit		Nov. 10–Jan. 31
Units 12, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26	No limit		Nov. 1–Apr. 15
Unit 13	No limit		Nov. 10–Mar. 31
Units 14A and 14B			No Federal open season
<b>WOLF</b>			
<b>All rural residents</b>			
Units 1, 3, and 4	No limit		Nov. 10–Apr. 30
Unit 2	No limit		Nov. 15–Mar. 15
	<i>The Forest Supervisor (or designee) may close the Federal hunting and trapping season in consultation with ADF&amp;G and the Chair of the Southeast Alaska Subsistence Regional Advisory Council, when the combined Federal-State harvest quota is reached.</i>		
Units 7 and 15	No limit		Nov. 10–Mar. 31
Units 14A and 14B			No Federal open season
Unit 14C	No limit		Nov. 10–Feb. 28
<b>Rural residents of Unit 5A</b>			
Unit 5	No limit		Nov. 10–Nov. 30
<b>Rural residents of Units 5A, 6, 9, 10 Unimak Island only, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and Chickaloon.</b>			
Unit 6A	No limit		Nov. 10–Mar. 31

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<b>WOLF (continued)</b>		
<b>Rural residents of Units 6, 9, 10 (Unimak Island only), 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and Chickaloon.</b>		
<b>Units 6B, 6C, 6D, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, and 18</b>	No limit	Nov. 10–Mar. 31
<b>Units 12 and 20E</b>	No limit	Oct. 1–Apr. 30
<b>Units 13 and 20D</b>	No limit	Oct. 15–Apr. 30
<b>Units 19, 20A, 20B, 20C, 21, 23, 24, 25A, 25B, 25C, and 26</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Apr. 30
<b>Rural residents of Unit 20F, Stevens Village, and Manley</b>		
<b>Unit 20F</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Apr. 30
<b>Rural residents of Units 23, 22, 21D north and west of the Yukon River, and Kotlik</b>		
<b>Unit 22</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Apr. 30
<b>Residents of Unit 25D</b>		
<b>Unit 25D</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Apr. 30
<b>WOLVERINE—All rural residents</b>		
<b>Units 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5</b>	No limit	Nov. 10–Apr. 30
<b>Units 6, 7, 9, 10, 14C, 15B, 15C, 16, and 17</b>	No limit	Nov. 10–Feb. 28
<b>Units 11 and 13</b>	No limit	Nov. 10–Jan. 31
<b>Units 12, 20, and 25C</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Feb. 28
<b>Units 14A, 14B, and 15A</b>		No Federal open season
<b>Unit 18</b>	No limit	Nov. 10–Mar. 31
<b>Units 19, 21, 24, 25A, 25B, and 25D</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Mar. 31
<b>Units 22, 23, and 26</b>	No limit	Nov. 1–Apr. 15



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